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Applicant:

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For

DIGITAL STILL CAMERA PERFORMING WHITE BALANCE

**ADJUSTMENT** 

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent No. 6,094,539 to ABE, issued on July 25, 2000;

U.S. Patent No. 5,983,038 to SATO et al., issued on November 9, 1999;

U.S. Patent No. 5,619,260 to MIYADERA, issued on April 8, 1997; and

U.S. Patent No. 5,550,587 to MIYADERA, issued on August 27, 1996.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the patent documents. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the

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present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicant also bring to the Examiner's attention the following copending and commonly assigned patent application:

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/617,100 to SATO, entitled "White Balance Control Amount Calculating Device", filed on July 14, 2000.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the above-mentioned application is attached hereto.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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